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Donald Trump's nominee for secretary of state, Rex Tillerson, said he favored maintaining current U.S. sanctions against Russia for now and that NATO allies were right to be alarmed by Moscow's aggression. But Tillerson's support for a more assertive policy toward Russia than Trump has espoused was tempered by his refusal to commit to support maintaining President Barack Obama's executive order



authorizing additional sanctions against Moscow because of its interference in the 2016 U.S. presidential election. Tillerson refused to call President Vladimir Putin a war criminal and kept the door open to a possible change in sanctions against Russia, saying he had not seen classified information on Russian meddling. **REUTERS**

US BLACKLISTS NORTH KOREAN OFFICIALS

The Treasury Department has added seven senior North Korean officials to its sanctions list because of human rights abuses and censorship by the communist nation. The department said that its Office of Foreign Assets Control added six men and one woman, all officials of the government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea or the ruling Workers' Party of Korea, along with the Ministry

of Labor and the State Planning Commission, to the Specially Designated Nationals List. "The North Korean regime not only engages in severe human rights abuses, but it also implements rigid censorship policies and conceals its inhumane and oppressive behavior," acting OFAC Director John Smith said in the statement, adding that the move aimed to expose the individuals responsible for the abuses. **REUTERS**

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VW AGREES TO \$4.3B US DIESEL SETTLEMENT

Volkswagen AG has agreed to a \$4.3 billion settlement to resolve the U.S. government's civil and criminal investigations into the German automaker's diesel emissions cheating, according to documents made public Wednesday. Prosecutors also charged six Volkswagen executives and employees, for their roles in the nearly 10-year conspiracy, including Oliver Schmidt, who

was a manager in charge of VW's environmental and engineering office in Michigan. On Monday, Schmidt was accused of conspiracy to defraud the United States over the company's emissions cheating and the automaker was charged with concealing the cheating from regulators. According to documents filed in U.S. District Court in Detroit, VW will pay a \$1.5 billion civil fine and \$2.8 billion criminal fine. **REUTERS**

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President-elect Donald Trump speaks at a news conference on Wednesday at Trump Tower in New York City. GETTY IMAGES

Trump rejects 'fake news' of leaked intelligence memo

The memo claims that Russian officials possess sex tapes of Trump.

President-elect Donald Trump on Wednesday angrily denounced unsubstantiated claims he had been caught in a compromising position in Russia and attacked U.S. intelligence agencies over the leak of the information.

"I think it was disgraceful, disgraceful that the intelligence agencies allowed any information that turned out to be so false and fake out there," Trump told a chaotic news conference only days before he takes office.

Trump called the dossier that makes salacious claims about him "fake news" and "phony stuff." "I think it's a disgrace ... That's something that Nazi Germany would have done," he said.

Trump acknowledged for the first time that Russia likely hacked the Democratic National Committee and the emails of other top Democrats during the 2016 presidential election. "I think it was Russia," he said.

But the New York businessman said other countries were also hacking the U.S. and defended his goal of better ties with Russian President Vladimir Putin.

"If Putin likes Donald Trump, I consider that an asset, not a liability," Trump told about 250 reporters jammed into the lobby at his New York offices.

Asked whether he had a message for Putin about hacking, Trump said many countries were hacking the United

States and added that he thought Moscow would have greater respect for his administration.

"He shouldn't be doing it. He won't be doing it," Trump said.

The president-elect has long said he hopes to improve ties with Moscow but his plans have come under intense scrutiny after U.S. intelligence agencies concluded that Russia used cyberattacks and other tactics to try to tilt the election in his favor over Democratic candidate Hillary Clinton.

Trump initially disparaged their conclusion that a Russian government hacking campaign was aimed at boosting his candidacy.

The Russia dossier that emerged late on Tuesday was first reported by CNN. BuzzFeed published the full document.

Two U.S. officials said the allegations, which one called "unsubstantiated," were contained in a two-page memo appended to a report on Russian interference in the 2016 election that was presented last week to Trump and Obama.

The memo also claims that Russian officials possessed sex tapes of Trump that could be used to blackmail him.

In the news conference, Trump declined to answer whether anyone connected to him or his campaign had contact with Moscow during the presidential campaign.

The event was a free-wheeling affair, with Trump aides cheering from the sidelines at one point and the president-elect angrily refusing to take questions from a CNN reporter.

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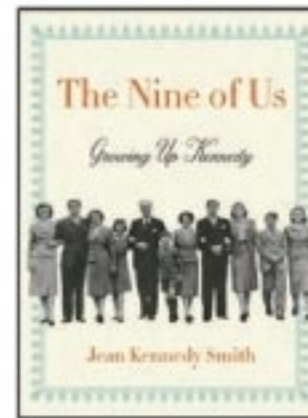
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Council wants mental health clinicians to work with police

Social workers could help police de-escalate confrontations with mentally disturbed individuals, council members say.



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The shooting of a mentally disturbed man by police less than three months ago prompted the Boston City Council on Wednesday to consider adding more social workers to the force to help diffuse confrontations with such individuals.

In the first council meeting of 2017, City Councilors Ayanna Pressley and Anissa Essaibi-George filed an order for a hearing to look into how the BPD could afford to hire more mental



The Boston Police Department currently has the budget for two mental health clinicians to take on ride-alongs. [WIKIMEDIA COMMONS](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Boston_Police_Car.jpg)

health workers.

"There is certainly a correlation between public health and public safety," Pressley said during the meeting. "The Boston Police Department, our belief is, needs to have a more formidable financial investment so it can bring online more social workers and clinicians to support them in de-escalating situations and mitigating conflicts."

On Oct. 30, Terrence Coleman was fatally shot after his mother had called 911 to take him to the hospital. Coleman, 31, had a history of mental illness, authorities said.

Both police and Boston Emergency Medical Services responded to the call, where a struggle with Coleman broke out. He allegedly pulled out a knife and swung at officers and EMTs, police said, prompting officers to fire and kill Coleman.

"Unfortunately it turned ugly," Boston Police Commissioner William Evans told reporters after the shooting. "The officers intervened. They tried to disarm, and unfortunately, he just

"It's an investment that pays a return on the human scale as well as the organizational scale."

Essaibi-George

kept coming at the officers and it left them no choice right now."

The incident sparked a conversation about the way police interact with those who are mentally ill.

BPD spokesman Lt. Michael McCarthy said in an interview after the event that he didn't think having more social workers ride along with police would have changed that particular situation since the police were responding to a call for help from the EMTs.

"But in general terms, we do have officers required to undergo 12 hours of training for dealing with the mentally ill," he said.

Two mental health counselors currently work in conjunction with the department as well. The BPD once had money in the budget for three, McCarthy said.

"In situations that we deal with, they evolve so quickly, they can change so quickly, that the mere presence of councilor is not the end-all solve-all," he said. "But we would certainly love to have more help. It seems to be an issue we're asked to deal with more and more, and so more training and resources to put toward it, the better."

Pressley echoed this in an interview after the shooting, saying that there is a "mental health epidemic" and also that certain portions of Boston's population are more susceptible to these incidents than others.

"We know that, disproportionately, for low-income and people of color, that there are barriers to access [mental health care]," she said. "So you have a growing narrative of low-income and people of color battling mental illness who are not receiving the critical services they need, who may be homeless, and are a risk to themselves and others."

In the hearing order filed Wednesday, Pressley and Essaibi-George noted that two current clinicians ride along with officers through the Boston Medical Center's BEST program. However, the BEST program could have a greater impact if there was a clinician for each district station, they said.

"It's an investment that pays a return on the human scale as well as the organizational scale," Essaibi-George said.



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Man tries to rob Chipotle with hypodermic needle

Quincy police are searching for a man who tried to rob a local Chipotle restaurant with a hypodermic needle.

After ordering food at the Newport Avenue restaurant just after 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, the would-be robber allegedly grabbed his bag of food and told the cashier

to "put all the money in the bag."

When the cashier said she didn't understand the request, the suspect pulled out a hypodermic syringe and allegedly threatened to stab her, police said.

The manager then approached the suspect, who ran out of the shop. Police tried to track the suspect using a K-9

dog, but were unsuccessful.

The suspect is described as 25 to 30 years old, about 5-foot-10 and 165 pounds with a beard. He was wearing a black jacket with a hood and gray sleeves at the time.

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Selena Gomez hooks up with the Weeknd

Fresh off a social-media detox (and some much-needed time in rehab), Selena Gomez returned to the public eye with a few Instagram posts and a heavily documented

makeout session with Bella Hadid's ex-beau, the Weeknd. The "Starboy" singer and the reigning queen of Instagram were photographed getting cuddly and kissing outside a Santa Monica

restaurant. Us Weekly reports the unofficially official new-couple alert occurred after the pair indulged in a three-hour-long back-room dinner at Giorgio Baldi. The magazine cites an unnamed source who says they look "really in love," which sounds, like, really true.

In case you forgot, Bella's fellow genetically superior sister Gigi is an active member of Taylor Swift's gal pal squad, alongside Gomez, making this clear grounds for beef.

The "Kill 'Em With Kindness" singer's new hookup comes just days after her Instagram Live confessional, in which she noshed on Mexican food and dissed "pointless dinners" and emotionally empty "friends." Guess we know who won't be invited next year's Fourth of July Instagram bonanza.

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Kirsten Dunst and Jesse Plemons are engaged

Fans of "Fargo" on FX will be excited to hear the news: Jesse Plemons and Kirsten Dunst, who play on-screen couple Ed and Peggy Blumquist in Season 2, are now engaged, Page Six reports.

The two were outed as a couple back in May, when paparazzi revealed them locking lips in L.A. The makeout sesh was not long after Dunst had parted ways with her "On the Road" co-star Garrett Hedlund.

Those who don't watch FX's Midwestern noir (seriously, change that now) may recall Plemons from "Friday Night Lights," where he played Matt "QB 1" Saracen's lovable, nerdy sidekick Landry. He also had a brief turn on Season 5 of "Breaking Bad" as Todd Alquist, a dirtbag meth cook for Walter White. Congrats to the betrothed!



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Yes, Joseph Fiennes playing Michael Jackson is a real thing

Remember about a year ago when news broke that Joseph Fiennes was going to play '80s Michael Jackson? You probably don't; a lot has happened since. Back then, the internet righteously raised its collective fist in anger. Then, as the internet often does, it completely forgot about it. Well, the trailer for the latest episode of "Urban Myths," a star-studded British series relating made-up true stories, went live, bearing with it the sight of Fiennes as the King of Pop. And

the internet went apoplectic again. There's a lot to unpack here: Not only is it a lily-white thespian playing a very pale black icon, but he

looks like he's wearing a Michael Myers mask, or the featureless one Tom Cruise dons after his face gets mucked up in "Vanilla Sky." The

episode's director, Ben Palmer, has since been forced to defend his casting to The Guardian, railing against charges of "whitewashing" by saying, "We were really looking for the performance that could unlock the spirit, and we really think Joe Fiennes has done that." We guess, but that's what they all say when white cis actors are cast as black, brown, trans, etc. characters. And maybe if he didn't sound like Eric Cartman, that might be all we were talking about.



Speak up, like Meryl did



Meryl Streep delivered a Trump-heavy speech while accepting the Cecil B. DeMille Award for lifetime achievement at the 2017 Golden Globes. GETTY IMAGES

Geek Girl in Hollywood



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A lot has been written about Meryl Streep's Golden Globes speech. She called out Donald Trump on a lot of things, though she never mentioned him by name. She chastised him for mocking a disabled reporter, something he keeps denying despite the evidence. (Really, it's like he thinks these things just disappear from the internet.)

Some have criticized her speech for lauding Hollywood while saying that sports are not an art form. "Hollywood is crawling with outsiders and foreigners," she said. "And if you kick 'em all out, you'll have nothing to watch but football and mixed martial arts, which are not the arts." For the record, I disagree. As someone who does not have an iota of talent in the sports world, I am in awe of the work.

That said, I'm going to defend her speech. I'll defend anyone's speech at an awards show, whether or not I agree. I do agree with most of what she said. I know Hollywood has a lot of rich people. I know it's been said a number of times that she was speaking to a room full of millionaires. Yeah, she was. She was also speaking to everyone who was watching the show.

Here's the thing: If you have a platform and you believe strongly in

something, you say it. Her message got out there, enough that Trump had to petulantly defend himself on Twitter.

There are two things I want to say about Hollywood. First, there are a lot of us in L.A. who aren't millionaires. There are a lot of us here who live paycheck to paycheck. I rarely, if ever, discussed politics before this election. Now I can't keep silent. I have a much smaller platform, of course, but I have to call out the things I see. I'm watching friends on social media who have never discussed politics do the same.

The second thing is, Hollywood has a lot of problems. Its lack of racial and gender diversity, its inability to pay women and men the same salary — these are all huge issues. Its issues, however, do not preclude someone like Streep, despite her money and how different her life is from ours, from making a speech about something she's passionate about. None of us should remain silent. None of us really can anymore.

It's time to speak up. People spewing hate and racist, sexist and homophobic crap aren't keeping themselves silent. Speak up, no matter where you are, what you do or how much you make. Speak up whether you've won an Oscar or a trophy for your fifth-grade soccer team. Call out hatred everywhere, in a group, on TV or in a room with one other person. Meryl Streep spoke from her heart. So can you. So can we all.



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Mark Wahlberg (between Kevin Bacon and John Goodman) plays a sergeant who aids in the aftermath of the 2013 Boston Marathon bombing in "Patriots Day," in theaters Friday. **KAREN BALLARD**

Why Mark Wahlberg almost didn't do 'Patriots Day'

The actor wanted to make sure his movie on the Boston Marathon bombing got it right.



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Mark Wahlberg wasn't sure he wanted to be in "Patriots Day." When he first heard about the film, about the 2013 Boston Marathon bombing and the search for the Tsarnaev brothers, the actor had some concerns.

"There were some things that weren't that positive in the local press," Wahlberg tells us. For one, there was a lot of talk about it being too soon. Some were worried it wouldn't be respectful enough.

"I didn't know if the community shared those same sentiments," Wahlberg recalls. "I was able to go home and talk to people and let them know what our intentions were. Once we were able to communicate that, they were extremely supportive. It was

one of those things where people wanted to make sure we got it right and hold me accountable."

"Patriots Day," which reunites Wahlberg with his "Lone Survivor" and "Deepwater Horizon" director Peter Berg, follows Wahlberg's Tommy Saunders — a police sergeant, who unlike everyone else onscreen, is a composite character — as he helps in the aftermath of the attack on his city's people. It's not the only film coming out about the tragedy; "Stronger," a more somber affair in which Jake Gyllenhaal plays a survivor who lost his legs, arrives out later this year. That there were so many films about something that happened in Wahlberg's hometown — at one point a third was being discussed — was part of why he signed on.

"I felt like if they were going to make them, I needed to be involved, because I know how to handle it and make sure it's done in a respectful and sensitive way. The wrong person can come in there and it could be something they would want to exploit it,"

Back home

"Patriots Day" also brings the Boston native back to his hometown, which has happened a lot, thanks to Boston-set movies like "The Departed" and the "Ted" movies.

"I was just there. I took my sons to a football game," he says. "I try to get back as often as possible. But it's hard, because I live in L.A., my kids go to school there. But I try to get there at least twice a year. It's nice that work has brought me back quite often."

As for that accent, Wahlberg says it's not hard to bring it back when he's in town.

"It comes back quick. You can turn that right on," he explains. "But it's hard to turn it off."

Wahlberg explains. "Being from Boston, I saw how people responded, from all walks of life — how everyone came together and ran towards the problem."

To him, the film is less about the tragedy than about the hope and unity that took over in the wake of the incident. Still, Wahlberg feels "Patriots Day" isn't strictly a Boston story.

"This is something that's happening all over the world," he says, rattling off places like Nice and San Bernardino and Newtown that have suffered attacks or massacres. "We want to give a message of love and hope and strength and resilience. Despite these cowardly acts of terrorism, we're going to come together."



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An uncontrollable puppet comes to life in "Hand to God."

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Everyone has coping mechanisms. For "Hand to God's" lead character Jason, though, his method of choice spins out of control.

Jason is a quiet, earnest teenager in small town Texas and his mom, a fundamentalist Christian, makes him join the puppet club that she runs at their local church. Jason's puppet, called Tyrone, ends up becoming an extension of him to say the things he wishes he could say — but the puppet eventually takes an evil mind of its own.

The five-time Tony-nominated play — one of the most produced in regional theaters this year — is dark, edgy, sometimes naughty and "a real emotional journey," says director David R. Gammons. We spoke with the director about Jason's plight, his devilish puppet and a particularly unusual teenage romance.

What drew you to direct "Hand to God"?

Personally, I'm really fascinated by the play's take on morality: how we create right and wrong. I grew up myself in a religious family. Although I don't consider myself religious now, certainly growing up and Sunday school in a Christian household gave me a really interesting perspective of the play's kind of ironic take on some of those elements of how we construct the moral world in which we live.

things
to do



Actor Elliott Purcell plays both Jason and Tyrone in the Speakeasy Stage Company production of "Hand to God."
GLENN PERRY PHOTOGRAPHY

Puppet master

Why is Jason driven to enact his life through this puppet?

Within the context of the play, Jason is dealing with the death of his father ... Tyrone gives Jason the opportunity to act out in ways that he feels stifled in his every day life. To both manage the anger and grief that he feels about the loss of his father and then the sort of complexity of relationships around his peers.

What's it like directing a play where a sock puppet is a central character?

What's tricky from my perspective as a director is that in the reality of the [play], Jason is not a good puppeteer. [He's] an inept teenager in the basement of a church being forced by his mother to put on a religious puppet show. On the one hand, you have to tell the story of that.

But of course, the actor who's playing Jason and Tyrone [Elliott Purcell] needs to be an incredibly good puppeteer.

What will the puppet look like in your production?

In my mind, the puppet — at least as we first encounter Tyrone — is little more than a dirty gym sock with two buttons badly sewn on that Jason is bringing to life ... But before our very eyes, we see it growing, morphing, transforming as Tyrone grows in power and control and force within the play. And so, the trick is going to be how we pull that off so that it doesn't seem like a series of different puppets but almost magically we see it sort of come to life.

So Jason has this love interest, Jessica, but there's also this devious puppet involved. How

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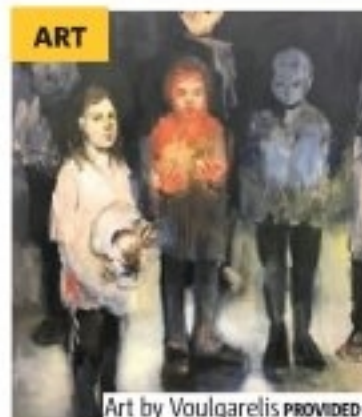
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does that work?

He's attracted to Jessica but — as it turns out — the only real way fundamentally and the way which they can sort of connect is through their puppets. And so one of the great scenes in the play is the romantic scene between Jason's puppet, Tyrone, and Jessica's puppet, Jolene. Allowing the puppets to be a sort of stand-in for what they might actually want to be doing with one another is one of the most hilarious aspects of the play.

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"M/othering"

Some psychologists believe that the unique characteristics of human affective bonds, from friendship to romance, evolved from the mother-child bond. If this is true, then by examining contemporary ideas and experiences of motherhood, the artists in this show — Fletcher Boote, Maya Pindyck, Tereza Swanda and Angela Rose Voulgarelis — are, to some extent, examining all of us.

Through Feb. 4
Gallery 263, 263 Prospect St.
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Free, bit.ly/1zw7EA1

Community Art Show and Craft Fair

Artists associated with Boston Hassle and Feminist Fiber Arts will be showing off their work at this event, along with a variety of other feminist crafters, hawking pins, patches, stickers and jewelry. The Boston Hassle artists are specifically displaying rock show posters from 2016. The two organizations are joining forces in an effort to foster community as well as celebrate some great work.

Jan. 14, 12-5 p.m.
The Spot, 32 Rugg Road, Allston
Free, bit.ly/2jvOyhQ

MUSIC

Madaila

In their bio, this band places itself "in the tradition of Prince,"

but we hear another '80s jugernaut, Hall and Oates, more clearly on several of their tracks. Madaila's clever move is to mix this blue-eyed soul with the grandiose pomp of modern YOLO pop. Their album "Traces" is a fun ride, sticking to this formula but never getting dull for it.

Jan. 13
The Sinclair, 52 Church St.
Cambridge
\$13-\$15, 18+
bit.ly/2ifBpaX

EXERCISE

Punk Rock Aerobics

With its campy, cultish vibe and eerily grinning, spandex-clad, cheerleader-esque video instructors surrounded by robotic students, aerobics couldn't have been a less punk phenomenon in the '80s. But as decades pass, strange bedfellows emerge, and here we have Punk Rock Aerobics, with rock 'n' roll curated by DJ Sit and Spin. Your class fee goes to Girls Rock Campaign Boston.

Jan. 14, 12 p.m.
ONCE Somerville
156 Highland Ave., Somerville
\$10-\$20, bit.ly/2jewVjb

VARIETY

Apocalypso!

This unique performance event is basically a massive improvisational jam with world and jazz musicians, dancers, poets and visual artists. "Bring your eyes, ears, instruments, dancing shoes, sketchbook or camera," says the online synopsis, so we're taking that to mean you're invited to participate, and you should, because the more people they get, the crazier it'll be.

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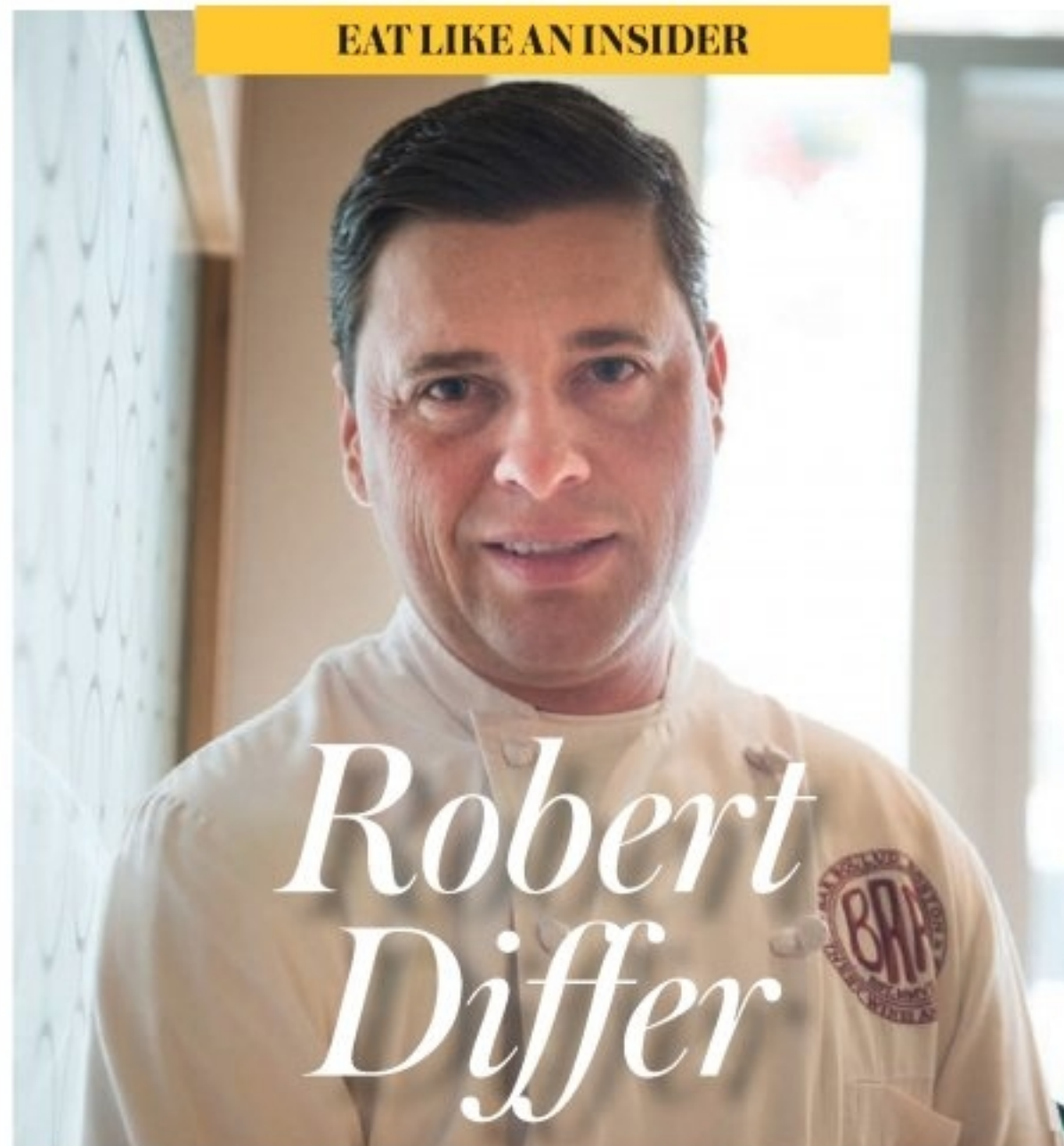
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Robert Differ



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Bar Boulud's pastry chef Robert Differ knows how to satisfy your sweet tooth. You can currently catch the Newton resident creating dreamy, seasonal chocolate concoctions at the restaurant's Parsian-inspired pop-up Chocolat Chaud hot cocoa bar. (This month's is s'mores inspired with chef-made Mallowmars.) Meanwhile, the Louisiana-bred Chef Differ knows the best spots to curb your savory cravings as well. We caught up with the Mandarin Oriental Boston's sweetest chef to find out where he noshes on bar snacks, grabs a meal alone and finds a quality burger.

Best late night meal?

Buffalo cauliflower at Back Bay Social Club. I go there with colleagues after work and this dish disappears in a matter of seconds. Plus, the amazing Lou makes the best martinis! 867 Boylston St., backbaysocialclub.com

Best meal under \$5?

The cheeseburger at Charlie's Kitchen in Harvard Square. It's very messy — which means it's very good. You could stop there at \$5, but I'd spring for the fries and a beer, too. 10 Eliot St.,



Buffalo cauliflower
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Cambridge, charlieskitchen.com.

Best hidden foodie gem?

75 Chestnut. They offer simple yet fun American-inspired dishes in a rustic/chic restaurant atmosphere in Beacon Hill. The restaurant space is just as important to me as the food. 75 Chestnut St., Boston, 75chestnut.com.

Best place to dine alone?

City Table at the Lenox Hotel. It is loungey and

dimly lit, the vibe is one of the more chic choices in Back Bay. They have a great bar, music and engaging bartenders. The high-top tables are the perfect place to sit and enjoy a meal alone. The Lenox Hotel, 65 Exeter St., citytableboston.com

Go-to date spot?

Grill 23. I am a traditionalist at heart. For me, there is nothing like a perfectly cooked rib eye with a side of warm pomme puree and the service is always executed perfectly. I would definitely recommend finishing your experience with one of the small bites desserts. 161 Berkeley St., grill23.com

Best place to catch up with friends?

Cook in Newton. It's close to where I live and the bar is great to linger and chat. The menu is casual with great flatbreads, my favorite being the chorizo and fingerling flatbread. The menu features fun things to share and the vibe and energy in the room is just right to hang and nosh. 825 Washington St., Newton, cooknewton.com

4 Food trends to taste in 2017

Just once, give into the pressure of your peers.



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As we enter each year, predictions of the biggest food trends vaguely sway diners to try new things. Some of these predictions are bland, vague and potentially fraught with the hopes and dreams of specific farmers' associations ("charcuterie," "beef," "authentic ethnic cuisine!" — what?), while others are interesting and exciting. Here are four we're looking forward to sweeping menus in 2017 — in fact, these four you can eat right now.

Jackfruit (predicted by "the experts")

It might look like a lychee-cantaloupe hybrid, but jackfruit is emerging as a solid, satisfying meat alternative. The southern Asian fruit — which is packed with protein, potassium, calcium and iron — can be often found in Thai cooking, but emerged as an American vegan mainstay early last year. For 2017, the trend can



Charcoal (predicted by Bon Appetit)

The laundry list of health benefits from chugging murky gray glasses of active charcoal are impressive enough to take this holistic niche mainstream. From what we're told, tastewise, it's not so bad, especially when expertly paired. Beatnik Beverage in Kendall offers the BBQ Lemonade — not because it's got that sweet, vinegary, rib-rubbing tang — but because it adds activated charcoal to its blend of alkalized water, lemon, lime and agave. Likewise, Juice Press (which just opened a new location at 500 Boylston in Back Bay) offers a Green Charcoal, adding the detoxing ingredient to an already super blend of cucumber, kale and celery.



Sriracha-Barbecue Jackfruit taco INSTAGRAM/@TACOPARTYTRUCK

be gobbled up at Powder House Square's Taco Party (or its traveling truck) where Sriracha-Barbe-

cue jackfruit tacos come topped with smoked black bean spread and cilantro cabbage slaw.



Seafood towers (predicted by Bloomberg Quint)

Here's another one for Instagram. Seafood towers — stacks of shellfish, crab legs and lobster tails — are once again a feast for the eyes. The folks at Bloomberg even called out a Cambridge

joint — Little Donkey, Jamie Bissonette and Ken Oringer's latest in Central — where the "Donkey Platter" comes loaded with quirky seafood small plates for the picking. We also like the always epic Neptune Plateau at Neptune Oyster Bar, a shellfish, shrimp and lobster sampler masterpiece.

Freakshakes (predicted by Baum + Whiteman)

While they've probably been dominating your Instagram feed for the past year, there's no better time to finally indulge in one of these monster milkshakes than the one month the rest of the world is dieting. The Boston Burger Company

calls their renditions #Freak-Frappes, the hashtag-included over-the-top milkshakes of your wildest, sugar-high dreams. This month's specialty is the S'More Than You Can Handle — a toasted marshmallow monstrosity coated in graham cracker crumbs and chocolate drizzle. And, like all good things, the #FreakFrappes can be made boozy upon request.



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The Ranch at Rock Creek

Spread over 6,600 acres of wilderness in southwestern Montana, the vibe at The Ranch at Rock Creek is lavishly rustic with an emphasis on the outdoors. Guests can choose from a stay in a restored log cabin or glamp it up in a canvas tent. There's also a spa and party barn on site. Activities include fly fishing, horseback riding, clay shooting and geocaching.

Insider tip: The nearby Rock Creek drainage has been an active sapphire mine since 1892, and in the past the sapphires were used in Swiss watches.

El Capitan Canyon

Known as a pioneer of "glamping," El Capitan Canyon is tucked among



Dunton Hot Springs PROVIDED

groves of sycamore and oak trees in Santa Barbara. The resort offers a mix of safari tents, upscale cedar cabins and adventure yurts. The cabins offer front porches and A-line roofs, and interiors are decked out with all comforts, including full bathrooms and kitchenettes.

Insider tip: Don't miss the trout

sculptures on the property's Larry Callahan Bridge, which symbolize the fish ladders the hotel has helped build to allow safe passage of steelhead trout back to El Capitan Canyon Creek.

Dunton Hot Springs

The antique miner's cottages at Dunton Hot Springs in Colorado look historically accurate from

the outside, but the interiors are anything but rustic. This entire resort is crafted from a restored 1800s ghost town. Some of the cabins have outdoors showers to make the most of the mountain views, and there are hot springs on site. Meals are served up in an old saloon, and there's also a dance hall.

Insider tip: While most people don't associate Colorado with wine, Dunton has a sister property called Sutcliffe Vineyards, located about an hour and a half away.

Nick's Cove

Located along Highway 1 on the coast of California's Tomales Bay, Nick's Cove has 12 nautical-themed cottages and a restaurant. The cabins blend seafaring touches with lush amenities, such as wood-burning stoves and claw foot tubs. At night guests can dig into homemade s'mores kits, which include handmade graham crackers and marshmallows along with local TCHO chocolate.

Insider tip: Guests of Nick's Cove receive complimentary barbecued oysters when they arrive.

Winvian Farm

For an eccentric take on log cabin decor, head to Winvian in Connecticut. The property is spread over 113 acres and

has 18 wildly different cottages, each with a unique theme. Three of the cabins riff on log cabin decor. Woodlands Cottage is crafted from rough-cut pine and peeled tree trunks, and in Beaver Lodge a dome of intertwining sticks crowns the bed and trees reach the ceiling.

The Ranch at Emerald Valley

Guests looking for a more rustic option at the famed Broadmoor resort can opt to stay at The Ranch at Emerald Valley in Colorado Springs, located just a few

inside the spa tent, which is located right next to a waterfall.

Steamboat Bay Fishing Club

Located on Alaska's Noyes Island, near Ketchikan, the Steamboat Bay Fishing Club offers two log cabin-inspired places to stay: The Lodge and The Residence, which was completed in February 2015. The Lodge was hand crafted by local artisans, who used native timbers and reclaimed material from the seafood cannery that used to be on site. Both properties feature Native American artwork and Great Rooms with a large wood-burning fireplace.

Insider tip: Look out for the humpback whale that likes to hang out in the bay just in front of The Lodge and The Residence.

The Lodge & Spa at Brush Creek Ranch

This luxury dude ranch is spread over 30,000 acres in Wyoming, with plenty of choices in accommodation. The cabins range from new builds to renovated historic ones, and interiors are rustic but luxurious, with sitting rooms and glass showers. Some have potbelly stoves or furnaces. Family style feasts are served up in the Lodge Great Room, and activities include horseback riding, fly fishing and clay pigeon shooting.

Insider tip: To reach the ranch, take the Snowy Range Scenic Byway, which crosses the Medicine Bow Mountains and offers views of the glacial-fed Lake Marie.

Post Ranch Inn

The Post Ranch Inn at Big Sur is located high above the Pacific Ocean, and the wood and glass design of the cottages is meant to blend in with the surrounding landscape. While accommodation style varies, some are meant to be a modern riff on a traditional log cabin, such as the stand-alone Tree Houses, which are built on stilts 9 feet above the forest floor. The Mountain House has a circular design inspired by nearby redwood trees.

Insider tip: Nearby Pfeiffer Beach is known for its purple sand and natural arches, but head to the far north end of the beach where heart-shaped rocks wash up on shore.



Brush Creek Ranch PROVIDED

miles away in the 100,000-acre Pike National Forest. Take your pick from the 10 rustic log cabins, which offer one to three bedrooms, as well as fireplaces and every modern amenity. The main lodge offers a patio fire pit for morning "Cowboy Coffee" and evening storytelling. For a taste of the outdoors, guests can spend their time horseback riding, fly fishing, hiking or canoeing.

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SEARCHING FOR REASONS THE TEXANS COULD KEEP IT CLOSE VS. PATS

OPINION

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The divisional round of the NFL playoffs has given us some of the league's greatest games. It's a round that rarely has pushovers, as wild card weekend typically serves as a football crap strainer. Not this year, though.

The Houston Texans are alive and coming to Foxboro this Saturday night. While it would have been nice (if you like competitive football) to see a healthy Derek Carr and the Raiders this weekend on the 15th anniversary of the Snow Bowl, instead we get a team that the Pats eviscerated, 27-0, earlier in the season with their third-string QB. The divisional round ain't what it used to be.

Houston beating the Pats in New England this coming weekend would classify as one of the greatest upsets in pro football history, as the Vegas line opened up at 16 points. This one should be over by the 10 o'clock news on WHDH, err, NBC Boston, ahh, channel 10.

All that said, poop happens. What if — heaven



The Patriots blanked Brock Osweiler and the Texans earlier this season, 27-0. GETTY IMAGES

forbid — someone goes all Bernard Pollard on Tom Brady? What if Martellus Bennett is injured and the Pats' tight end-loving offense begins and ends with Matt Lengel? What if the Patriots' defense suddenly reverts back to its October form?

These are all unlikely things, but they are possible.

Here are a few other reasons why the Texans could, possibly, maybe,

probably not make this a game.

Remember the Jets

Six years ago the Patriots were 14-2, ready to roll to the Super Bowl, and were hosting a team in the divisional round that they had pummeled earlier in the season. But Mark Sanchez and Rex Ryan (Jesus, hard to believe this actually happened) had other plans. The Jets confused Tom Brady, forcing him to

a 89.0 passer rating, and put up just enough points to come away with a stunning 28-21 win. These Texans are a bit like those Jets — strong defensive unit with an offense that picks its spots.

Fear mediocrity

Like he did when he was the quarterback of

the Broncos in a 30-24 overtime victory over the Patriots last season, Brock Osweiler is at his best when he stays out of the way and lets his much more talented teammates do all the dirty work. Osweiler completed 23-of-42 passes for 270 yards, had a touchdown pass and an interception in the win

over the Pats last season and this past Saturday in his playoff debut he was decent enough to complete 14-of-25 passes for 168 yards with a touchdown and zero picks to beat the Raiders, 27-14. Osweiler also ran the ball six times in the victory over Oakland. He gained just 15 yards on the ground, but he found the end zone once.

Reacquainted

"And if that day comes, I know we could win. I wonder if I'll ever see you again." — That's a lyric from a 17-year-old Lenny Kravitz song, but it pertains to the Texans this weekend.

It had a great deal to do with the fact that they were playing in the worst division in football, but the Texans were pretty good this season when it came to games in which they were playing an opponent for the second time. In "second meetings" this season (including playoffs), Houston is 3-1, and the lone loss came on New Year's Day to the Titans in a game in which they had little at stake (the Texans deactivated six starters in that one).

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Ottavio Saputo to World Savings Bank, FSB, dated June 22, 2006 and recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds at Book 39848, Page 50, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 a.m. on January 30, 2017, on the mortgaged premises located at 120 BRADLEE STREET, APT 9, COUNTRY MANOR CONDOMINIUM A/K/A 120 BRADLEE STREET, UNIT 120-9, COUNTRY MANOR CONDOMINIUM, HYDE PARK (BOSTON), Suffolk County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage.

TO WIT: Unit: #120-9, Percentage Interest: 2.89%, Area: 720 square feet, Post Office Address: 120 Bradlee Street, Hyde Park, MA 02136 Parking Space: #18

The Unit contains the Area listed above and is laid out as shown on a plan filed and registered with said Master Deed, as amended, and to which is affixed a verified statement in the form provided in G.L.c. 183A, Sec. 9. Copies of portions of said plans are recorded at Suffolk Registry of Deeds with Grantor's deed on December 16, 1994.

The Unit is conveyed together with the above listed Percentage Interest (a) in the common areas and facilities of the Condominium, as described in the Master Deed, as amended and (b) in the Country Manor Condominium Trust recorded with Suffolk Registry of Deeds in Book 12641, Page 70, as amended.

The Unit is to be used only for residential purposes and for no other purpose, except as may be expressly permitted by the Trustees in accordance with the provisions of the Country Manor Condominium Trust. The Unit is subject to the restrictions set forth in the Master Deed, as amended.

The Grantee acquires the Unit with the benefit of, and subject to, the provisions of G.L.c. 183A, relating to condominium, as that statute is written as of the date hereof, the Master Deed and Condominium Trust referred to above and any by-laws and rules and regulations from time to time adopted thereunder, and all matters of record stated or referred to in the Master Deed as completely as if each were fully set forth. Irrevocable and subject to real estate taxes attributable to the Unit which are not yet due and payable.

For mortgagor's(s)' title see deed recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 39848, Page 50.

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TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

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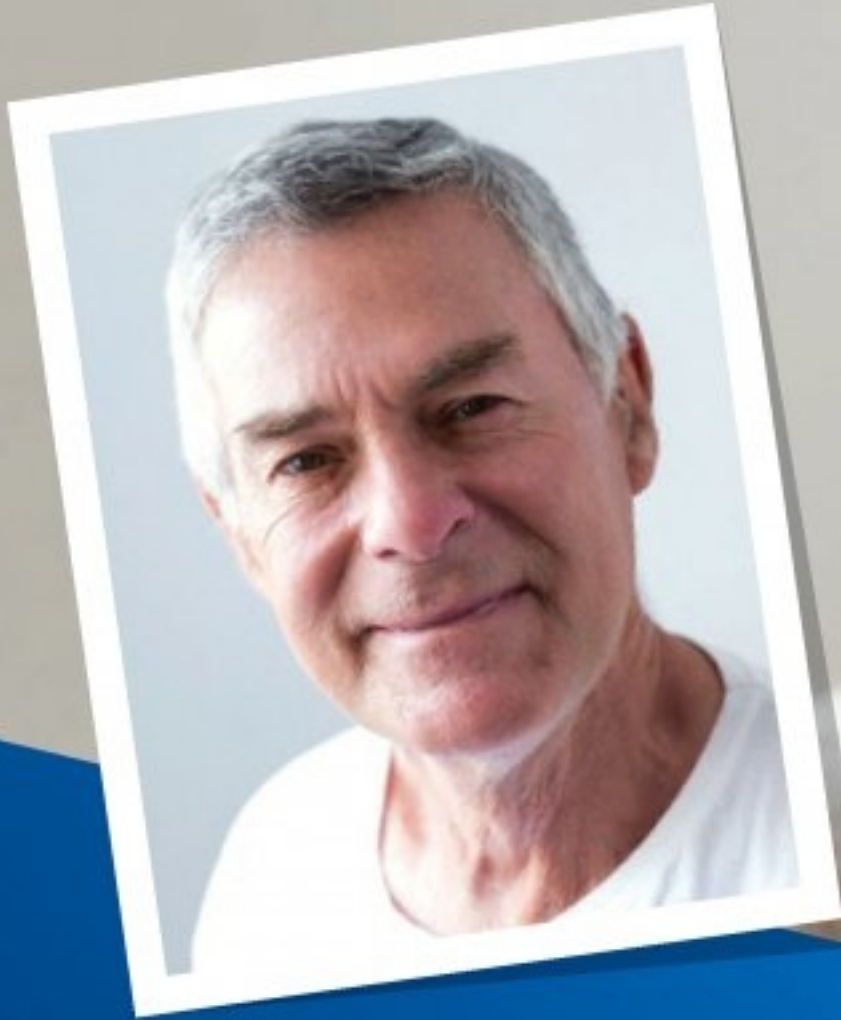
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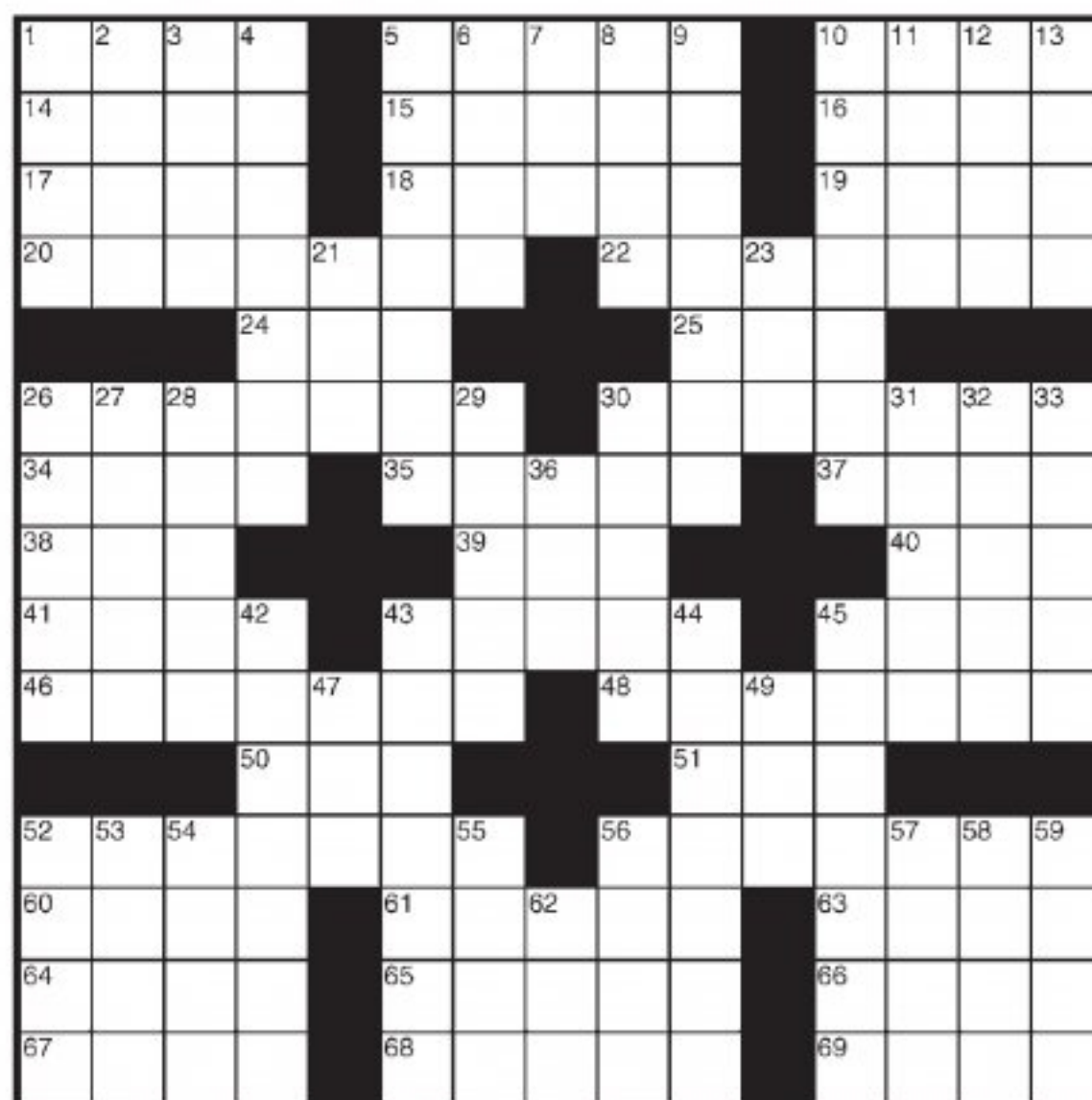
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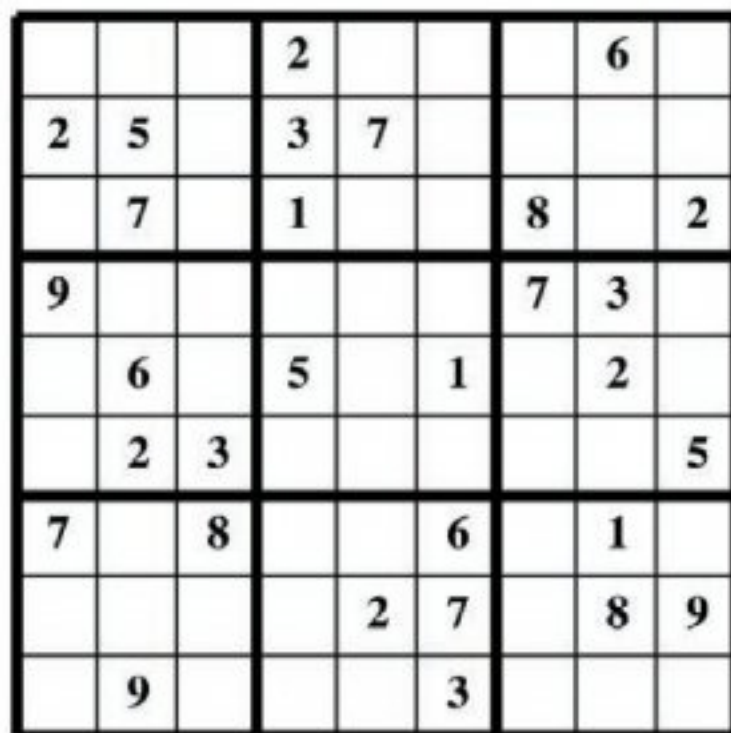
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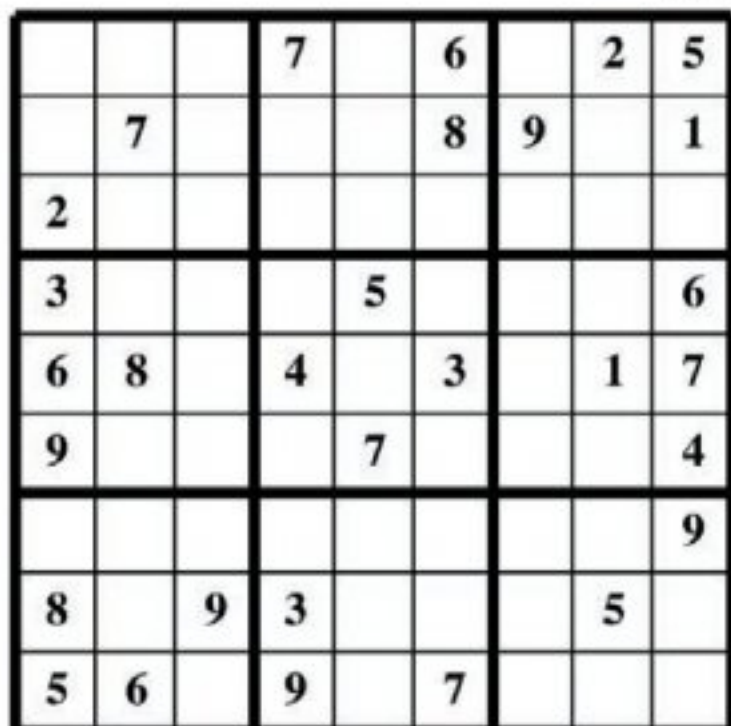


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Aries Keep your life simple and dedicate your time to getting things done behind the scenes. Presenting your ideas before you are ready will lead to interference.



Taurus A change of scenery will open your mind to try new things. A financial opportunity will tempt you. Request assistance from those who've given you good advice.



Gemini Involvements with children, temptations and other people's problems will all have to be handled cautiously. Moderation and simplicity will be required.



Cancer Shed some light on what you have in mind with regard to professional strategy. Be creative and step outside your comfort zone in order to make a lasting impression.



Leo Appeal to those who are heading in the same direction as you. Step into a leadership position. Offer a comprehensive plan that will bring about popular change.



Virgo You can only do so much. Size up whatever situation you face and offer solid advice but don't feel the need to take over or you may end up being blamed.



Libra Put in the hours and see what you can accomplish. Less talk and more action will help you avoid trouble and controversy that could hinder your efforts and success.



Scorpio Use your energy and enthusiasm to do what you feel is worthwhile. Aim to improve your stamina by engaging in fitness activities that will improve your awareness.



Sagittarius You'll have difficulty managing your money. Don't let temptation or a get-rich-quick scheme lead to a loss. If you want change, you need to do something.



Capricorn Share your thoughts with your professional and personal partners. It's important to align your thoughts or plans to fit everyone's needs before making a decision.



Aquarius Keep an open mind, but don't feel you have to donate to a cause or pay for others. Listen and make suggestions, but protect your assets and financial future.



Pisces Steer clear of emotional spending, overindulgent people and deals that are too good to be true. Instead, you should pursue an idea that is cost-efficient. EUGENIA LAST

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